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The IDS, including the foreign references and NPL document filed therewith on November 21, 2006 has been considered and placed in the application file. Each of the foreign documents and the NPL document were closely reviewed and found to have no negative bearing upon the allowability of the currently pending claims, which were indicated as allowable on the Notice of Allowability mailed August 25, 2006. Applicant should note the initialed, signed and dated copy of the IDS filed November 21, 2006, attached hereto. Any further questions should be addressed to the undersigned at 571 272-1153.

  
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